

The Gift of Life



Missouri Organ Donation

2010 Annual Report



Missouri

Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee

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DHSS Vision ... Healthy Missourians for life.

DHSS Mission ... To be the leader in promoting, protecting and partnering for health.

Organ and Tissue Donor Program Mission ... Inform Missourians about the importance of and need for organ and tissue donation, maintain a central registry, and reduce the gap between the need and availability for organs and tissues.

From the Chairman

It has been a little over a year since the new online donor registry system went “live” for the first time. What a wonderful year it has been!

Increasing numbers of Missourians are taking advantage of the online website, www.missouriorgandonor.com, to join the Organ and Tissue Donor Registry, check their registration record for accuracy in documenting their choice to be a donor, update the record to indicate specific organs they may wish to donate or purposes for their donation, and even withdraw from the registry. The ability to join, check, update or withdraw at any time, day or night, was very important to everyone involved in the website design because your registry record needs to accurately reflect your decision regarding organ and tissue donation.

Other methods of registration, at Department of Revenue fee offices or by mail, are still available. If you have not yet been to the website to check out the information and functionality available, please do so soon.

Many Missourians are aware that our state continues to face budget shortfalls, as do many other states across the nation. What you may not be aware of is that the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry receives absolutely no funds from the state’s general revenue. It is completely supported by donations. More than 97 percent of the registry’s operating funds come in \$1 increments donated by individuals at fee offices while renewing their vehicle registration or license. Everyone involved in organ donation is very grateful for the generosity of Missourians in supporting the registry.

In 1998, I received a deceased donor lung transplant and renewed hope for my future. Last July, my wife and I celebrated the birth of our twins. What a blessing my children are! As of the end of state fiscal year 2010, a total of 1,341 Missourians needed organs in order to reclaim healthy lives, and many more are waiting for tissue transplants. The registry facilitates hope for the future, but you provide that hope by making the decision to be an organ and tissue donor. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Peter Nicastro

Chairman, Governor’s Organ Donation Advisory Committee



Peter Nicastro

From the Director

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services is pleased to present the 2010 Annual Report of the Governor’s Organ Donation Advisory Committee.

In addition to facts and figures about Missouri’s Organ and Tissue Donor Program, this report provides a glimpse into the lives of a number of Missourians who have given or received an organ. The stories about how organ donation has impacted the lives of donors and their families as well as those who have received an organ transplant are inspiring.

One story in this year’s report has had a major impact on me personally. Two years ago, my brother-in-law Richard received a kidney from his daughter – my niece, Katie. My family and I are very proud of the decision Katie made to help her father regain his health. You can read their story on pages 8 and 9.

The number of people signing up to be organ donors has increased across the country and in Missouri. The steady growth in our state organ donor registry truly reflects the generous nature of Missourians and gives hope to those waiting for an organ.

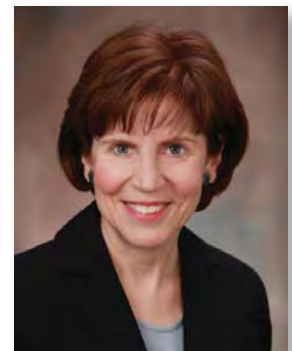
On behalf of the Department of Health and Senior Services, I want to thank the Missourians who are already on the registry. If you aren’t on the registry, I urge you to sign up. You can make a remarkable difference in someone’s life. My family and the families of organ donors and recipients across the country have experienced that difference.

It’s not often that a person gets to make a truly selfless decision in life. Making the decision to be an organ and tissue donor is your opportunity.

Sincerely,

Margaret Donnelly

Director, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services



Margaret Donnelly

Advisory Committee 2010

The Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee has been busy promoting the cause of organ and tissue donation in communities across the state.

Committee members, along with stakeholders from other organ and tissue donation groups, were at the Missouri State Capitol to be recognized on the floor of the Missouri House of Representatives with a resolution declaring April as National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Month in Missouri. Attendees then met with sponsors and supporters of the resolution and walked the hallways of the state capitol to share information about organ and tissue donation with their respective state senators and representatives.

A few weeks later, a similar group gathered in the office of Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon for his signing of a proclamation. The group talked with Gov. Nixon about the need for greater awareness of the organ and tissue donor program and informed him about the new features of the program, including the new website and the ability to have the donor heart symbol placed on new driver licenses.

Committee members frequently are asked to serve as speakers at community and educational events and volunteer at organ and tissue donor drives. For example, Dr. Lisa Britt, committee vice-chairperson, spoke at a donor appreciation ceremony at the University of Missouri Hospitals. Dr. Ron Walkenbach, immediate past chairperson, lectured to medical residents about organ and tissue donation. Dr. Michael Perry hosted a Donor Sabbath event at his place of worship.

Committee members Lisa Atkins and Virginia Beatty joined Dr. Britt to speak on the "Radio Friends with Paul Pepper" show in the spring of 2010. Ms. Atkins also promoted Minority Donor Day on the show with Tyrone Allen, while Dr. Walkenbach solicited donor registrations with friends from the Columbia Lions Club.

Committee members look forward to every opportunity to talk about the importance of organ and tissue donation and inform others about the importance of the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry.

The National Association of Attorneys General affirms that it is the obligation of all participants in the donation process – hospitals, doctors, procurement organizations, and family members – to comply with the law and to honor and implement the decision of the donor.

— Excerpt from resolution adopted June 2010

Educational Initiatives 2010

Department of Health and Senior Services

Although a tight organ donor fund budget limited Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) staff working on educational activities to promote organ donation, staff members were able to initiate, coordinate and assist with a variety of low-cost educational efforts throughout the fiscal year.

- A presentation about Missouri's Organ and Tissue Donor Registry System was given at the Health Resources and Services Association (HRSA) Technical Assistance Workshop in Washington, D.C. in the summer of 2009. The presentation incorporated voice-over PowerPoint and cell phone technology and addressed questions about Missouri's registry system. The presentation was the final report to HRSA for funding that helped support the development of the new registry system. A presentation about the system's features was given at the National Kidney Foundation Board meeting in St. Louis in the spring of 2010. Board members were pleased with the system and discussed ways they could help increase registry enrollments.
- A newsletter to local driver license offices continues to be written and distributed several times a year. The newsletter contains information about organ and tissue donation that is relevant to the local management and staff of the license offices who ask patrons if they want to be listed in Missouri's registry and if they would like to donate money to help with the operating expenses of the registry.
- Staff spoke with high school youth at the Hickman Health Fair in Columbia, Mo., on March 26, 2010.
- A Donate Life Month proclamation was signed by Gov. Jay Nixon. The event was coordinated by the Midwest Transplant Network (MTN) and DHSS. A number of partners were present to witness the occasion.
- Friday Facts, a publication of DHSS, included an article each week during the month of April to increase knowledge about organ and tissue donation and to encourage participation in Missouri's registry. Friday Facts is distributed to more than 1,000 DHSS employees and local public health office staff.
- An electronic payroll stuffer about organ and tissue donation was made available to all state employees during Donate Life Month, April 2010.
- Staff met with the University of Missouri School of Medicine's Health Behavioral Research Center staff on April 20, 2010, about organ and tissue donation in Missouri's African-American population.
- Staff participated in the Donor Awareness Resolution event April 27, 2010, in the House of Representatives chamber at the Missouri State Capitol. The event was organized by the MTN.
- Staff handed out brochures about the organ donor registry during the Missouri State Employees Charitable Campaign kick-off events at the Truman Building and the Secretary of State's office. Several individuals registered at the events.
- Curriculum for elementary and secondary school students is being researched. Information will be posted on the website as a resource for teachers who want to incorporate information about organ and tissue donation into their classes.



Gov. Jay Nixon (center) signed a proclamation for Donate Life Month in April 2010. Joining the governor for the proclamation signing were: (left to right, front row) Tammy Carrier, Tracy Henson, Lori Hodges, Dorothy Dolson, Erin Gregory, and Barb Starr; (back row) Rob Linderer, Karen Griffin, Ray Gabel, Peter Nicastro, Dennis Hartley, Leanne Peace and Virginia Beatty.



The Missouri House of Representatives issued a resolution for Donate Life Month in April 2010. Attending the resolution presentation in the House chamber were: (left to right, row 1) Rep. James Morris, Dr. Michael Perry, Leanne Peace, Jessica Rathert, Tammy Carrier, Lori Sprock, Taylor Parks, Rick Parks and Bill Angler; (row 2) Rep. Pat Yeager, Ray Gabel, Phil Duncan, Tom Barnhardt, Dennis Hartley and Ron Walkenbach; (row 3) Erin Gregory, Bob Spencer, Page Nichols and Peter Nicastro; (row 4) Rep. Sharon Pace, Erin Gregory, Dr. Lisa Britt and LaKeisha Coleman; (row 5) Speaker of the House Ron Richard, Rep. Jason Grill and Rep. Rochelle Walton Gray.

Staff participated in the American Medical Association (AMA) Saves Lives Project that is studying current awareness and knowledge of organ donation among college students. DHSS's role was to report aggregate online registration data for specific time periods. Of the 45 people who noted they learned about organ and tissue donation through the AMA Saves Lives Project, 27 were first-time registrants. To learn more about the program and project visit www.amasaveslives.com/about.php.

- The Missouri Hospital Association (MHA) and DHSS are sharing information and posting, when appropriate, information about organ and tissue donation on the MHA's public website, www.missourihealthmatters.com. MHA is also sending out organ and tissue donor statistics, websites of interest, news articles, research papers, etc., in its daily newsletter to members.

DHSS has also shared information about a Chronic Disease Self-Management Course for distribution via MHA's various communication venues.

- Information about the donor registry system was translated into Spanish and released in April 2010. DHSS worked with Mid-America Transplant Services to translate additional information posted in the fall of 2010.
- The "Radio Friends with Paul Pepper" show, which airs on KBIA radio, focused on organ and tissue donation in May 2010. Special thanks goes to Dr. Lisa Britt, vice-chair of the Organ Donor Advisory Committee, for coordinating the event. Advisory committee members who were guests on the show included Dr. Britt, Lisa Atkins and Virginia Beatty. Another segment, highlighting National Minority Donor Awareness Day and featuring Ms. Atkins and Tyrone Allen, aired in July 2010.
- Posters provided by Mid-America Transplant Services were distributed until the limited supply was depleted.

Department of Revenue

During state fiscal year 2010, the Missouri Department of Revenue (DOR) sent out four articles to license offices regarding the Organ and Tissue Donor Program. The articles included the following information:

Aug. 21, 2009 –

If a customer has the organ donor symbol on their current permit/license/nondriver license and they no longer want the symbol displayed, what is the process to remove it? You must process either a duplicate or renewal driver license transaction. On the applicant data screen, select "No" where it details the organ donor question. Clicking "No" will remove a previously issued organ donor symbol. The customer is required to pay the applicable transaction and processing fees. However, simply removing the symbol does not remove the applicant from the organ/tissue donor registry. If the applicant previously indicated "Yes" and now indicates "No," the DHSS will send out a follow-up letter requesting authorization to remove his/her name from the registry. The applicant will receive instructions on how to remove his/her name from the registry. Once the person's name has been removed, he/she will receive a confirmation letter. For more information, refer to Section VII in Section 29 of the Uniform License Issuance Manual (ULIM). You may refer the customer to the DHSS website for more information about organ and tissue donation.

October 9, 2009 –

Am I required to ask each applicant for a permit or driver/nondriver license whether they want to have the organ donor symbol displayed on their permit or driver/nondriver license document, every time they apply? Yes, while on the applicant data screen, you must ask the organ donor question as written on the applicant data screen, and you must record the customer's response ("Yes" or "No"). For more information, refer to Section VII in Section 29 of the ULIM. You may refer the customer to the DHSS website for more information about organ and tissue donation.

April 9, 2010 –

Revised “Be An Organ Donor” Emblem Use Authorization Statement (EUAS): The Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry is introducing a revised EUAS that bears their new “Donate Life” logo. If you have not already seen one of the revised EUAS forms, you can view the new logo on the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry website. Both versions of the EUAS will be used simultaneously until the old stock is depleted. And, for the time being, the “Be An Organ Donor” specialty plate will continue to bear the old logo.

May 14, 2010 –

If a customer is interested in receiving the organ donor indicator but has questions about the obligations of the medical staff at the time of the actual donation, what should I tell the customer? You should provide the customer with the contact information for the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry. This information can be found on the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry brochure.

Gift of Life

The 2010-2011 school year marks the eighth season for the Life Savers™ program offered by Gift of Life (GOL) at 72 area high schools. The classroom program empowers teens to learn about organ and tissue donation and share their decision with loved ones. Last year, Kim Harbur, GOL director of education and founder, delivered 447 classroom presentations and reached 21,087 individuals with the help of trained volunteers and a speakers bureau. Student response surveys indicated that 70 percent “want to sign their driver’s license” as a registered organ donor. GOL also offers the Life Mentors program to those waiting for a transplant and new transplant recipients. Learn more about GOL by visiting gift donor.org.

Heartland Lions Eye Tissue Banks

Heartland Lions Eye Banks (HLEB) showcased the “donate life” message to thousands of Missourians as an exhibitor at the Missouri State Fair in August 2009, in Sedalia, Mo. With the help of Lions Club volunteers from throughout the state, the Eye Bank educated fair-goers on the importance of eye, organ and tissue donation. Visitors were encouraged to join the Missouri Organ Donor Registry via either computer or paper registration that day. Staff were able to sign up new organ and tissue donors and answer questions regarding the donation and transplantation process.

Midwest Transplant Network

For 2010 and 2011, the Midwest Transplant Network (MTN) will again focus on two National Donor Sabbath Projects that will involve more than 400 places of worship.

MTN, along with Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS) and HLEB, participated in a statewide billboard campaign in Missouri to promote the Missouri Donor Registry System.

The Work Place Partners program has been very successful. The most recent report shows that as of Sept. 9, 2010, a total of 35 new partners have joined the cause.

During fiscal year 2011, MTN plans to visit each of the 109 Kansas Department of Motor Vehicle (DVM) offices and the 88 DMV offices in MTN’s Missouri service area. MTN worked with DHSS and DOR to get approval for this project. In addition to the personal visits, mailings and phone calls to each DMV/treasurer’s office will continue on a quarterly basis.

MTN was one of the key sponsors at the University of Kansas versus the University of Missouri Border War Football Game at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., on Nov. 27, 2010. Public announcements, messages on the message board and a challenge between the fans of the teams to sign up for their state’s registry promoted the importance of organ donation.

MTN has reached more than 3,000 students through its educational outreach efforts. Outreach to schools including nursing colleges, high schools, middle schools, and grade schools and to school science fairs will continue during the next fiscal year.

Mid-America Transplant Services

Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS) continued its on-site student education program designed to teach high school students about the organ and tissue donation process. The program provides free bus transportation to the MTS facility for participating schools within St. Louis, Mo., St. Louis County and surrounding areas.

This extensive field trip to MTS is a highly interactive and educational experience for students that includes a tour of the MTS facility, presentations from transplant professionals and hands-on access to plastinated organs. Students are also given the opportunity to hear firsthand from someone who has received an organ or tissue transplant or from someone who has lost a loved one who gave the gift of life to others through organ or tissue donation. In 2009, more than 5,500 students participated in educational programming offered by MTS. For more information, contact LaKeisha Coleman, MTS education coordinator, at 314-735-8456.



Campaign promotes changes in Uniform Anatomical Gift Act

Five organizations – Midwest Transplant Network (MTS), Missouri Department of Revenue (DOR), Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Heartland Lions Eye Bank (HLEB) and Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS) – collaborated to develop education and awareness communication tools to promote the changes in Missouri's Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, known as the Show Me Your Heart Campaign.

The team was led by Tammy McLane with MTS. The campaign goals are to compel individuals currently in Missouri's Intent Registry to re-register in order to obtain first-person consent status and increase the number of newly registered individuals.

"The Show Me Your Heart Campaign features everyday people from the 'Show-Me State' who have made the life-affirming decision to be an organ and tissue donor," McLane said. "By building awareness through this campaign we hope more lives will be saved through the gift of organ donation."

The campaign highlights the power an individual has in making the decision to be an organ and tissue donor. The red heart and green ribbon symbol being placed on each registrant's driver or

non-driver license is easy to recognize and is carried through in the campaign

materials. The heart symbol also speaks to the emotional side of the decision-making process. The "Show Me" portion of the campaign captures the Midwestern values of hard work, practicality and strong morals. And the last component, "Why I joined the registry...", engages people in discussion that is meaningful, relatable and actionable.

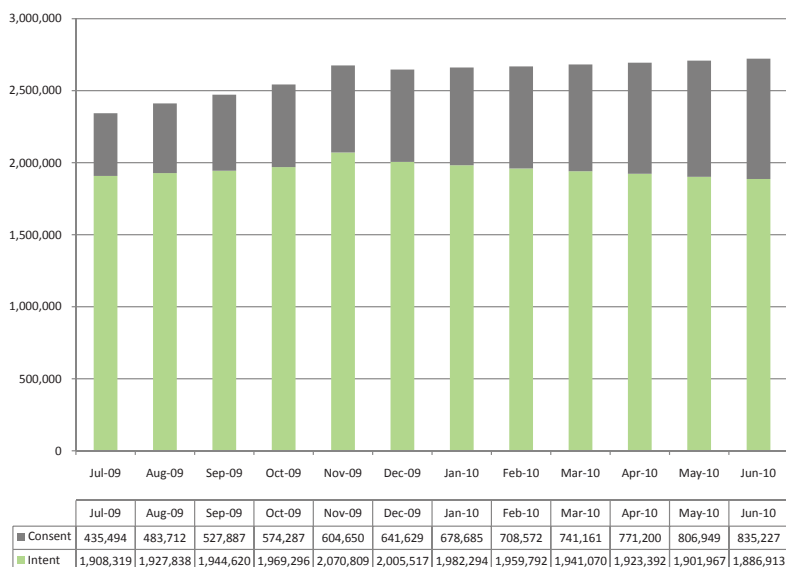
The campaign was launched in late October 2009. Campaign materials include billboards currently on display throughout the state as well as posters, brochures and other printed items. The campaign also features a new Facebook page – Donate Life Missouri (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Donate-Life-Missouri/104632353749>) where individuals can record why they decided to place their name on the registry and learn from others who have experience with organ and tissue donation.

Since the campaign launch, new enrollments and conversions from the intent registry to the consent registry have steadily increased.

Figure 1 illustrates the overall increase in registrations to the first-person consent organ and tissue donor registry, also known as the Donor Registry System.

If your organization is interested in promoting organ and tissue donation and would like to print and distribute materials, contact Jessica Rathert at MTS at 314-735-8200.

Figure 1. Missouri Organ Donor Registry enrollment summary, state fiscal year 2010.



Data subject to change due to future data submission or correction.

Beyond Blessed

An organ donation story
by Renee Clardy

My name is Renee Clardy. I am 51 years old and beyond blessed.

I am a wife to the greatest husband ever, mother of two amazing young men and grandmother of my beautiful granddaughter Mai-Lin. I am a full-time employee for the state of Missouri and a part-time employee for Linda's Studio. On Nov. 7, 2004, I became the recipient of a cadaveric kidney transplant.

Today, I am all of these things because of three things: the mighty God we serve; the dear family who selflessly offered the kidney of their dearly departed loved one to a stranger – me; and the love and support of my wonderful family and friends. I encourage you today to sign your donor card and let your family know your wishes to become an organ donor.

In April 2001, at 42 years old, I received the news I was in kidney failure. If you get this news, see a good patient educator. I did, and one of the first things my educator told me was, "Did anyone tell you that you weren't going to die?" I hadn't thought of that. I was trusting God, but it was nice to hear. Then she told me that the healthier I was when I went on kidney dialysis the healthier I would stay. I started kidney dialysis on June 13, 2001. My youngest son was 10 years old. As I look back today I believe all of this was probably a lot harder on my family and friends than it was on me.

My younger sister, Vicki Sidles, of Vero Beach, Fla., prayed and offered to be tested and give me one of her kidneys. It was a perfect match. Because of her selfless offer of a possible transplant and on the advice of a great patient educator, I had a temporary access installed for dialysis. The access was temporary, much like our circumstances sometimes. However, during the pre-testing done to prepare for the transplant it was discovered that my sister has a blood-clotting disease, so she was not allowed to donate. During my 3½ years on dialysis, I received three more calls for possible transplants that did not happen, so do not get discouraged if this happens to you!

If you or a loved one is waiting on a transplant, I want to encourage you to trust God, and don't fret if it doesn't happen according to your timing. God's timing is perfect. Get on the list if that's possible, and go on dialysis and stay healthy until that perfect kidney, or other organ you may need, comes.

Prior to Nov. 7, 2004, a selfless person, or that person's family, decided to be an organ donor. People who were strangers to me made an amazing decision to donate organs so others might live a healthy life.

Here are a few of the gifts I've had since receiving my new precious kidney: In August 2010, I celebrated my 32nd wedding anniversary; my sons have grown into amazing men; I attended my oldest son's wedding to his amazing "love," as he calls her; I get to enjoy my beautiful granddaughter Mai-Lin; and I will be able to attend my youngest son's high school graduation and am well enough to help out with his Project Graduation.

On behalf of all future transplant recipients, I want to say thank you! Thank you to donors for making the decision to donate. Thank you to families for making the decision – at the most difficult time – to donate a loved one's organs so others may live. Thank you for giving us a new lease on life.



Renee Clardy and her granddaughter Mai-Lin

A Daughter's Decision

An organ donation story

When Katie Horton was a teenager, she would teasingly tell her dad she'd have to give him one of her kidneys whenever he has having problems with his own.

Twenty years later, she did.

"My dad has had issues with his kidneys ever since I was young," Katie said. "When I use to tell him I'd give him one of mine, I never thought I actually would."

But when Richard Black found out his kidneys were failing three years ago, Katie, her mother and brother all volunteered to be a donor. After a number of tests, Katie was determined to be the best match.

On May 28, 2008, father and daughter were wheeled into operating rooms at St. Louis University Hospital. Each emerged from surgery with a single kidney that should serve them well the rest of their lives.

Richard says he feels better now than he has in a decade. And Katie is grateful for the opportunity to help her father regain his health.

"I know what it was like to be on dialysis, and I know what it's like to live an ordinary life again," Richard said. "My quality of life has really improved."

As with most organ recipients, Richard will have to take medication for the rest of his life to prevent his body from rejecting his new kidney. Katie doesn't require medication, but like her dad, she makes healthy lifestyle choices to ensure her kidney functions at an optimal level.

Together, Richard and Katie celebrate the medical advancements that made the surgery a success. And they ask others to consider giving the gift of life.

They urge Missourians to sign up for the state's organ and tissue donor registry to become a donor after death and consider a living donation in circumstances – such as kidney transplantation – when it is medically possible.



Richard Black, his daughter Katie Horton and her daughter Maura

"What you get back is so much more than you give...Being able to change the quality of someone's life is pretty amazing."

– Katie Horton

"I just can't imagine a better way of showing your love for a family member or anyone that would need an organ," Katie said.

In the past decade, Richard has faced several serious medical issues, but he quickly recovered each time, returning to his post as chief of police in Glendale, Mo., a town of about 5,700 people near St. Louis.

It's a job Richard greatly enjoys. Even as his kidneys failed and he began dialysis three times a week, he did what he could to continue working. He scheduled his dialysis appointments so that the third one each week would fall on Saturday, requiring him to miss only a few hours of work two days a week.

Two days after his kidney transplant, Richard was released from the hospital, and a few weeks later, he was back on the job.

In 2009, Richard was honored by his peers across the state as Missouri Police Chief of the Year, an award presented annually by the Missouri Police Chiefs Association.

After 41 years with the police department, Richard will retire next year – his 25th anniversary as police chief. He is looking forward to doing some volunteer work and spending the winters in Florida with his wife. The rest of the year the couple plan to be back in Missouri, enjoying time with their three children and five grandchildren, who all live in the St. Louis area.

After watching her dad overcome some major health problems in recent years, Katie is impressed by her dad's resilient nature. But Richard is even more impressed by the role his daughter played in his most recent rebound.

"Every time I think about it, it brings tears to my eyes," he said. "The sacrifice that human beings make for each other is just remarkable."

Katie doesn't consider her decision to be an organ donor a sacrifice and says the surgery wasn't too difficult.

"I'd do it again if I had more kidneys I could give," she said.

Katie came home from the hospital just two days after her surgery. A couple weeks later, she was able to return to her job as an employment coordinator in the human resources department at St. Anthony's Medical Center in St. Louis, where she has worked for 21 years.

Katie credits the support she received from her family and her employer for making her decision to donate a kidney to her father possible.

"If you have the support of your family and your employer, I say go for it because what you get back is so much more than you give," she said. "Being able to change the quality of someone's life is pretty amazing."

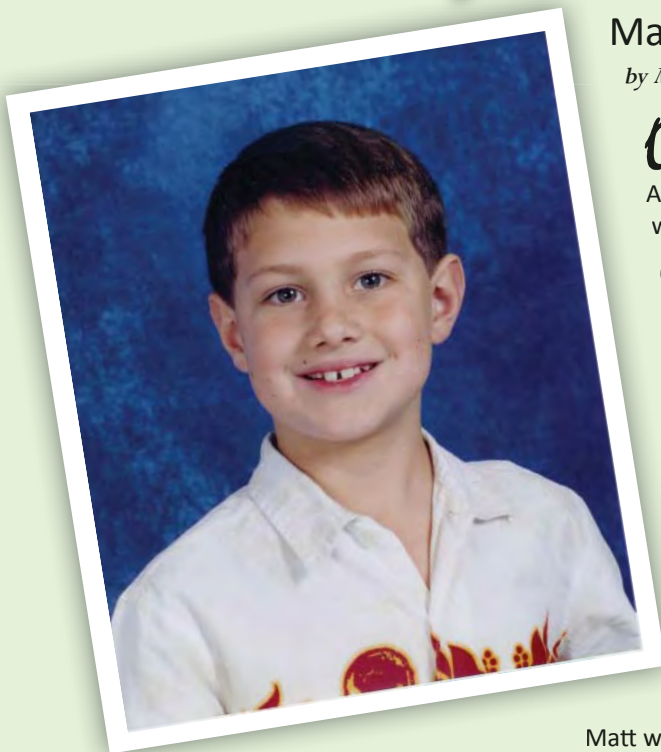
The longest surviving kidney recipient has lived with a donor kidney for 44 years. The donor is also still living.



Katie and her dad, Richard, can once again ride bikes together – an activity they have enjoyed since Katie was in college. Richard had been unable to ride his bike when he was undergoing dialysis.

A Healthy Heart

An organ donation story



Matt Abraham

Matt's story

by Melinda Abraham

Organ donation has become a very important part of our lives. Almost five years ago during the greatest tragedy of our lives, we were asked to make the biggest decision of our lives.

On Sept. 26, 2005, our lives changed forever when our son Matt, age 9, fell from our second-story balcony about 11 p.m. Air-Evac transported him to St. John's Hospital in Springfield where he was diagnosed with a severe skull fracture. It was touch-and-go for two days. He had surgery, but ultimately the doctors were unable to control the swelling in his brain. He was declared brain dead on Sept. 28.

During the last day of Matt's life, we were approached by the hospital chaplain asking if a representative from Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS) could talk to us. I have to tell you, my first thought was, "No way!" We still had hope. Matt had not been declared dead yet, and they were asking us about organ donation! But after a little time, my husband and I started talking and finally admitted to ourselves that

Matt was gone. We couldn't do anything to help him, but we could do something to help other families who were hurting like we were.

I will never forget the one question that our daughter and nephew, both age 10 at the time, asked, "Why can't someone else give; how come Matt has to?" Wow, out of the mouths of babes. We were silently asking the same question. It was so hard trying to explain to them that what was hurt on Matt, his brain, couldn't be replaced, but that we could help other people, most likely kids, by donating his organs.

We finally agreed to meet with the MTS representative. It was a very emotional meeting, but we knew that we were doing the right thing. They immediately started trying to find recipients for Matt's major organs.

By late that night they had been able to place five of Matt's organs. He donated his heart, left kidney, right kidney, liver and part of his intestine. Within weeks we found out the age, sex and location of each of his recipients. We have attempted contact with all five recipients. Unfortunately, we have only heard back from two of them.

We recently made personal contact with Matt's heart recipient. Her name is Katy. She is currently 19 years old and attending the University of Akron Honors College. She was born with a congenital heart defect and was very close to dying when she and her family received the call.

"We couldn't do anything to help him, but we could do something to help other families who were hurting like we were...We have never regretted our decision."

— Melinda Abraham

Katy is doing wonderful! She has had no ill effects from the transplant. She was featured in the fall 2007 issue of Teen magazine to talk about being an organ recipient. We met Katy for the first time in 2009 at her high school graduation. It was a wonderful time to be together and for our families to bond.

We are still struggling everyday with the loss of Matt, but knowing that we were able to help five families has been a huge blessing for our entire family. We are constantly asked if the decision to donate was a hard one to make, and yes, it was, but we have always felt that it was the best decision we have ever made. We encourage parents to at least think about organ donation before they are put in a situation like we were. We have never regretted our decision and know the only regret would have come if we had said no. Donate life!

Katy's story

by Katy Holland

For as long as I can remember my life has been far from normal. I was born with a severe heart defect that left me with low energy levels, slow physical development and an overall low quality of living.

Since I had been this way since birth I never thought much of it and allowed it to become the way I lived my life with little complaint. It wasn't till I was in eighth grade that the idea occurred to me that there was something else out there and that I didn't have to settle for being the girl with the heart problem.

At this time my doctors approached my family with the idea of a heart transplant, and we were ecstatic, realizing that this would be a real fix and change my life forever.

I was listed the summer before my freshman year in high school and spent most of my time thinking of all the things that would be possible if they could only find a match. I had my surgery on Sept. 30, 2005, when I received the heart of a young boy. Five years later I learned that my heart belonged to Matt and that it was a perfect match that came just in time. I have also learned that I never could have imagined all that is possible without the help of my healthy heart.

The longest surviving heart recipient has lived 30 years with a donor heart.



Melinda Abraham, Dylan Abraham, Katy Holland, Alyssa Abraham and John Abraham celebrate Katy's high school graduation in 2009.

"I never could have imagined all that is possible without the help of my healthy heart."

— Katy Holland

Taking Nothing for Granted

A volunteer story

by Keith Anderson

Gift of Life, Kansas City



Chris Paxton

If you were about to have an organ transplant and needed some inspiration, Chris Paxton is the man for you. He participates in five different sports, raises a family, works full time and gives back to his community. Chris volunteers for Gift of Life in Kansas City as a trained “life mentor.” He’s one of a group of transplant recipients and family members who offer encouragement and support to those waiting for a life-saving transplant and to new transplant recipients. Here, Chris shares some of his experiences as an organ transplant recipient.

When did you receive your transplant?

I received a kidney transplant on Dec. 5, 1995, at St. Luke’s Hospital in Kansas City after six months of dialysis (both CAPD and Hemo). I was 21 when I received my transplant, and I turned 36 on July 30 at the 2010 U.S. Transplant Games. I celebrated my 15-year transplant anniversary in December 2010. I also received a corneal transplant in both my eyes in September 2008.

Does the transplant affect your physical life?

My kidney transplant has allowed me to have a physical life! I can be active and participate in normal everyday events. Without it I would not be able to do the daily things we all take for granted.

“Never give up on the miracle of life. Take time every day to give thanks for the blessings you have received, and notice something new every day.”

— Chris Paxton

Your brother is also an organ recipient – can you tell us about him?

My younger brother Josh also had a kidney transplant and just recently celebrated his 10-year transplant anniversary in June 2010. He also welcomed his first children, twin boys, in June 2010. Josh and I were born with a genetic disorder called Alport's Syndrome that we inherited from our mother, Sheila.

Josh is on his second kidney transplant. The first one he received from our Aunt Pam Baumli (my mother's sister), but he lost that one about a year after transplantation. He received his second one from Joy Dorsey, a non-related living donor who was a church friend who offered to donate her kidney.

Do you know who your donor was?

Yes! My father, Greg, was my donor. He offered to donate a kidney to both Josh and I and go on dialysis himself.

How did you respond when you first learned you needed a transplant?

I was really upset and frustrated that it was happening to me. I felt like I was being robbed of a lot of dreams and of life itself.

How did the transplant change your life?

The transplant gave me a second chance at life and a better outlook on life and taught me not to take life for granted.

What type of work do you do?

I work as a creative director and do graphic design work (advertising, marketing, websites, logo and trademark design, and photography). I also provide apparel design for athletic uniforms, etc. and have designed the uniforms for Team MO-KAN since 1998 and have helped design the uniforms for Team USA for the World Transplant Games.

Do you have a family?

I have a wonderful family of six. My wife, Valerie, and I celebrated our five-year anniversary in October. I have been blessed with three beautiful stepchildren: Riley, Austin and Marisol. And of course, I can't forget our obnoxious puppy, Rosie.

When did you first learn about the U.S. Transplant Games, and how do you prepare for the games?

I first learned about the U.S. Transplant Games in early 1996 from Linda Hatfield, my transplant coordinator, shortly after my transplant in December 1995. My first games were scheduled to be in August 1996 in Salt Lake City, but due to a biopsy I wasn't allowed to attend.

Since then, I have attended and competed in every U.S. Transplant Games since (1998, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008 and 2010). I also have participated in two World Transplant Games (2003 and 2005) and one Australian National Transplant Games (2004).

My main sports are cycling, basketball, and track and field. I also play volleyball as well. Most of my training time is spent cycling and working out at my local gym.

Do you have a message to share with those waiting for a transplant or new organ recipients?

Absolutely! Never give up on the miracle of life. Take time every day to give thanks for the blessings you have received, and to notice something new every day.



Chris and Valerie Paxton and Riley, Austin and Marisol Estrada attended the opening ceremony of the 2006 U.S. Transplant Games in Louisville, Ky.

**Today,
1,341
Missouri
residents
are living
with organ
transplants.**

6/30/2010

Doing Something Positive

A volunteer story

by Lauran Rayner
Mid-America Transplant Services

Marvetta Purcell is there when you need her.

Volunteering for Mid-America Transplant Services (MTS) for nearly 10 years, Marvetta comes into the office virtually every week – with a smile on her face – to do what needs to be done. She stuffs reams of letters into envelopes, assembles countless information packets, puts together innumerable medical kits, sends out hundreds of medals honoring loved ones who gave the gift of life, counts thousands upon thousands of green ribbon pins and plastic green bracelets used to promote the importance of organ and tissue donation, and does just about anything else MTS asks of her and the Thursday group of office volunteers.

At the suggestion of a fellow support group member, Marvetta started volunteering for MTS after her 33-year old son Bobby died in November 2000.

“Carol, who is also a part of the Thursday volunteer group, encouraged me to not sit at home and dwell on my sorrow and grief, but to do something positive in Bobby’s memory,” Marvetta said.

Bobby gave the gift of tissue, helping two people regain their sight and enhancing the quality of life for many others. Marvetta’s husband, John, was also a tissue and eye donor in 2009.

In addition to supporting the MTS mission to save lives through excellence in organ and tissue donation, Marvetta enjoys the social aspect of being a part of this group of volunteers, most of whom are donor family members, just like Marvetta.

“Everyone at MTS is so nice and they take such good care of us,” Marvetta said.

Through giving back, Marvetta says she has received so much more. One event she will never forget was a campaign that MTS coordinated with shortstop David Eckstein and the St. Louis Baseball Cardinals to gain 300,000 signatures on the organ and tissue donor registry during the 2007 baseball season.

“I had the privilege of standing on the field and hearing Bobby’s name announced and his gift of life honored during the opening ceremony at the new Busch Stadium,” Marvetta explained.

Despite suffering from chronic pain for many years, Marvetta is there when MTS calls on her, whether it’s promoting the need for organ and tissue donation at special events or stuffing envelopes.

“Marvetta’s commitment and eagerness to help adds much joy to our team,” said Merry Smith, MTS aftercare program coordinator. “We are lucky to have her.”



Marvetta Purcell, David Eckstein and Marvetta's granddaughter Megan

Creating a Beautiful Vision

A volunteer story

by Annie Kuhl

Heartland Lions Eye Tissue Banks



Tony Bauvuso and Wendy Williams from the Heartland Lions Eye Tissue Bank and Judy Nelson

Imagine seeing your world as if you were looking through wax paper. That is the reality for thousands of people needing a corneal transplant each year.

Judy Nelson was one of those people.

As an artist, Judy would not be able to continue painting if the threat of losing her precious vision became a reality. But thanks to the choice caring individuals make to become organ and tissue donors, the reality of corneal blindness can be remedied for many – including Judy.

Since 1963, Judy has undergone four corneal transplant surgeries – the most recent in the spring of 2009. Today, her vision has improved tremendously, and she is able to continue creating beautiful works of art.

Judy is a volunteer with Heartland Lions Eye Tissue Banks, speaking on their behalf to promote eye, organ and tissue donation at Kansas City area events. In addition, Judy has given her time and expertise as an artist to the eye banks by donating her paintings and designing the Heartland Lions Eye Tissue Banks' 2009 holiday card.

Together, Judy and the eye banks are working to encourage people to join the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry to give the gift of sight and improved health to others.

Almost anyone between the ages of 2 and 75 can be an eye donor.

Inspiring Others

A volunteer story

by Ray Gabel
Midwest Transplant Network



Maxine C. McMullen

Maxine McMullen had no idea she was in danger of losing a kidney.

When she received a call from her doctor saying blood work showed her kidneys had failed, she was in shock.

"I asked, 'Why me, Lord?' and He said, 'Why not you?' I prayed about it, and just felt a sense of calm," Maxine said.

For more than three years, Maxine underwent dialysis treatments three times a week and reported for work every day. Then, in March of 2004, she received a call to report to the hospital immediately – doctors had a kidney for her.

Following her transplant, Maxine felt better immediately.

"I am awesomely blessed and highly favored. I know I was put on this earth to inspire others and educate people on the importance of organ donation," she said.

This belief has led her to help others during the long and painful process of dialysis.

"I developed many friendships going through dialysis. You experience many ups and downs, and it's important to have a support network," Maxine explained.

The support network that helped her keep her spirits high and get through the process included her daughters Essence and Sha'Shawanda, other family members, friends, and representatives from the Midwest Transplant Network (MTN). Now, as an ambassador for MTN, she speaks to a variety of groups about the importance of organ donation.

"It's a privilege to be able to talk to people. If you have the opportunity to give someone else a chance at the beauty of the tree of life, why wouldn't you?" Maxine said.

I know I was put on this earth to inspire others and educate people about the importance of organ donation."

— Maxine McMullen

Honoring a Son

A volunteer story

by Ray Gabel

Midwest Transplant Network

If you had asked Julie Miller about organ donation prior to October 2006, she would not have been okay with the idea.

"I simply could not think about a decision such as that for any of my family members," she says.

A family tragedy changed her mind.

Julie and Doug Miller's story began with a knock on the door at 12:30 a.m. Oct. 10, 2006. They were told that they only had a few minutes to get to the hospital before their 17-year-old son would be "life-flighted" to another hospital.

"We quickly went to him and had only enough time to kiss him and tell him we loved him before they had to leave," Julie said. "We had friends drive us the 75 miles to the hospital they were taking him to."

After the Millers arrived at the hospital, a doctor told them their son was in a deep coma. It wasn't until early in the morning on Oct. 10 that they knew their son was not going to be coming back to them.

"I turned to my husband and asked what he thought about our son being a donor," Julie said. "While he was shocked that I would ask him, he totally agreed because we both felt that due to how our son lived his life, always putting others first, that this was something that he would have wanted to do."

"Our son being a donor and saving three lives is something that my husband and I felt helped us to make it through such a tragic event because something positive was able to come out of a tragedy," Julie said.

In 2008, the Millers first attended the U.S. Transplant Games, hosted by the National Kidney Foundation. It was an important step in their healing process. It especially helped Doug because his contact with organ recipients and other donor families helped him to see the complete circle – from the organ donation to the transplant to a second chance at life for the organ recipient.

The Millers have communicated with all three recipients of their son's organs and have met one with whom they continue to keep in touch. Knowing that the organ recipients are doing well has helped them cope with their loss. Julie and Doug attended the Transplant Games for a second time in 2010, and they look forward to getting more involved in future games through volunteering.

Julie is also an Ambassador for the Midwest Transplant Network (MTN).

"I am always honored to be able to share our story and help others understand that donation is a gift – and it is one that can bring hope to others," Julie said. "We have also become involved with the Missouri Leadership Seminar, which was an organization that our son was involved in."

Since the loss of their son, the Millers have completed their master's degrees in administration and are currently seeking their educational doctorate degrees in administration. They continue to speak about organ donation at in-service trainings, health fairs and other events.

"Even though we have moved forward with our lives, our son is never far from our thoughts. We know that he would have wanted us to move forward and that it is okay to do things that help you grow," Julie said. "We continue to honor our son through our involvement and activities and also through continuing our education so that we can help make a difference in the lives of young people."



Doug and Julie Miller

**More than
1,300
Missourians
are currently
in need of
an organ
transplant.**

Financial Summary 2010

Registry financing

Financing for the Missouri Organ and Tissue Donor Registry and related program initiatives is in a constant state of flux. As the economy struggles, it is humbling to see people not only give the gift of life to loved ones and strangers alike through living and deceased organ transplantation but also give the gift of money that supports the registry and program efforts.

Currently, financial support is provided solely by voluntary contributions, and the registry receives no tax dollars for its operation. Receipts in state fiscal year 2010 were from local driver license and motor vehicle offices that collect the \$1 donation, specialty plate contributions (\$25 or \$50), contributions made in honor of a loved one, and the Missouri State Employees Charitable Campaign. During state fiscal year 2010, receipts from the Missouri State Employees Charitable Campaign steadily decreased as a result of retirements and lost positions due to the challenging economy.

Figure 2 shows the average total yearly contribution over the past six years is \$130,225 (excluding one-time funding). Fiscal year 2009 and fiscal year 2010 saw yearly contributions of \$151,671 (excluding one-time funding) and \$141,734, respectively.

The Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee will be looking into additional revenue stream options during state fiscal year 2011. The committee remains cautiously optimistic that financial giving will, at a minimum, remain above the six-year average. To learn more about how to help support the registry and program efforts, visit www.missouriorgandonor.com, and click on "Make a Contribution."

Increased expenses

As reported in state fiscal year 2009, development expenses for the new donor registry system continued into state fiscal year 2010. The newer, more sophisticated system's main development is now complete and only minor changes remain.

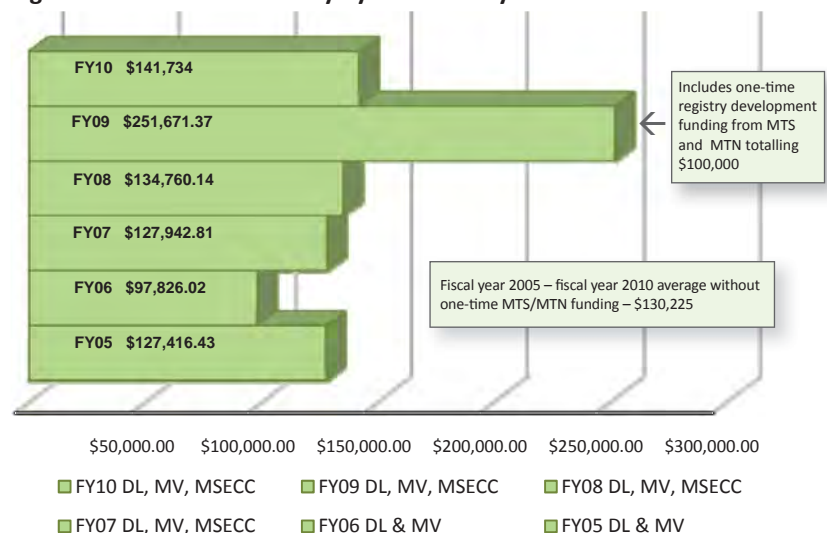
The work that began in state fiscal year 2009 and continued into state fiscal year 2010 resulted in increased expenditures in registry operations, personnel, staff benefits, indirect costs and network allocation. Expenses for state fiscal year 2011 are expected to drop significantly.

Statement of activities

State fiscal years (FY) ending June 30, 2009 and June 30, 2010

Fund Revenues	FY09	FY10
Contributions/Interest		
Department of Revenue contributions	147,719	138,682
Direct contributions/specialty plate	102,647	1,500
State Employee Charitable Campaign	1,301	1,551.66
Investment interest	4	0
Total Revenue	\$251,671	\$141,734
Fund Expenses		
Registry		
- Participation	32,092	722
- Operations	138,393	394,939
- GODAC Meeting	0	0
- Adjustment-Prior IT Balance	1,533	0
- IT Expenditures	0	16,243
- Educational initiatives/annual report	3,034	1,669
Personnel services/leave pay	54,514	67,673
Staff benefits (fringe benefits)	23,337	31,663
Administrative overhead		
- Indirect costs	13,468	22,648
- Network allocation	3,166	4,188
- Program supplies and expenses	6,972	476
Total Expenses	\$276,509	\$540,221
Beginning Fund Cash Balance	508,499	474,282
Change in Net Assets		
- Income	251,671	141,734
- Network Adjustment	-8,787	1,027
- Indirect Adjustment	-592	4,110
- Expenditures	-276,509	-540,221
Ending Fund Cash Balance	\$474,282	\$80,931

Figure 2. Contribution history by state fiscal year.



Donation and Transplantation 2010

in Missouri

The status of organ and tissue donation by Missouri residents illustrated in the graphs below is a snapshot as of June 30, 2010. The United Network of Organ Sharing (UNOS) provides the numbers to the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) through special data requests. The number of registrants ever waiting for an organ transplant during state fiscal year 2010 was 2,248 candidates (Figure 3).

Several factors influence the number on a wait list at any point in time: individuals transplanted, too sick to be transplanted, non-compliant with transplant center requirements, passed away while waiting, and new individuals being added to the list. Distressing as it may be, approximately 18 percent of registrants ever waiting are young people under the age of 35 (Figure 3).

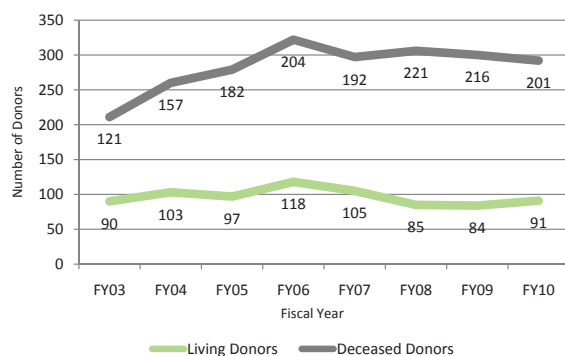
The number of actual donors continues to fluctuate from year to year (Figure 4). During state fiscal year 2010 in Missouri, 292 individuals graciously gave the gift of life, and 563 Missouri candidates received a life-saving organ transplant (Figure 5). While donations continue to hover near 300 annually, the gap between giving and need remains an issue in the state (Figure 5). During the past three fiscal years, kidney and liver transplants continue to be the primary transplants performed in Missouri, followed by heart, lung and kidney-pancreas transplants (Figure 6).

Figure 3. Registrants ever waiting, by age.

	FY08	FY09	FY10
<1	20	24	25
1-5	27	20	22
6-10	13	15	13
11-17	48	42	31
18-34	340	324	327
35-49	655	644	613
50-64	903	890	898
65+	212	260	319
Total	2,218	2,219	2,248

Note: Number of registrants ever waiting for a transplant by age and fiscal year, where the candidate's home state is Missouri. Candidate age is at the time of listing.

Figure 4. Donors, by fiscal year.



While educating Missourians about organ and tissue donation and continuing to encourage donation at time of death via registry enrollments, there also needs to be a focus on reducing the need for transplants as an additional way to close the gap. For example, if conditions such as high blood pressure and diabetes are prevented or controlled, the need for kidney transplants could be reduced.

Missouri needs to continue to educate its citizens about organ and tissue donation for several reasons. The primary reason is to save lives. Continued education also will help dispel myths about organ donation and make donation a societal norm, which will increase registry participation.

It is equally important that Missouri continues to educate its citizens with and without a chronic disease or condition about the things they can do to live a healthy life in order to lower their risk for the need for an organ transplant.

Figure 5. Donors vs. transplants performed.

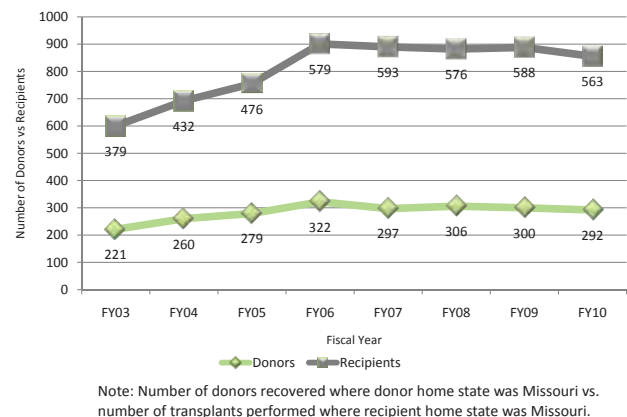
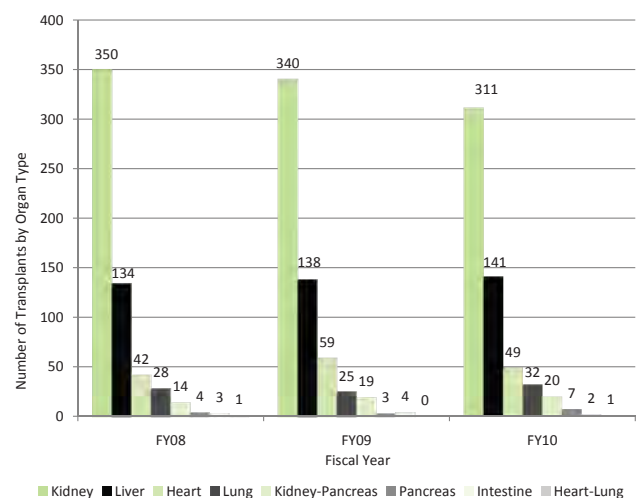


Figure 6. Transplants performed, by organ type.



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Donor Designations

Numbers continue to rise in Missouri and the U.S.

The number of people registered to be organ donors in the United States has increased by 24.4 percent since 2007, bringing the total to 86.3 million, according to Donate Life America (DLA). Those numbers are included in a report published by DLA in its third annual National Donor Designation Report Card. The report can be found at www.donatelife.net. DLA's Donor Designation Collaborative has a goal of 100 million registered donors on state donor registries.

A team of partners in Missouri is part of the Donor Designation Collaborative. The team worked on a statewide campaign, Show Me Your Heart, to increase the number of registered donors in the state. (Information about the campaign can be found on page 2.)

Through the team's efforts, Missouri's donor registry numbers, like the national numbers, continue to grow. At the end of state fiscal year 2010, more than 2.7 million Missourians were on the registry. As Missouri continues its six-year driver license renewal process, the number of individuals on the intent registry will continue to decline, and the number in the consent registry will increase. Registry numbers are also influenced by monthly purging of registry records of individuals who are deceased.

Registry enrollment

– at end of state fiscal year 2010

	FY08	FY09	FY10
Intent	2,417,750	2,040,695	1,790,366
Consent	0	400,650	805,662
Total	2,417,750	2,441,345	2,596,028

Source: Donor Registry System

Registry transactions

– at end of state fiscal year 2010

Remote Enrollment	0
Online Enrollment	2,629
Paper Forms	2,374
Department of Revenue	822,387
Vital Records (Removed Deceased)	12,398
Total Transactions Processed	839,788

State fiscal year 2010 transactions

During state fiscal year 2010, the Department of Health and Senior Services processed 839,788 transactions. The transactions either updated existing registry records, added new records, removed individuals who are deceased (Vital Records) or removed individuals from the registry by request. Of the 2,374 paper forms processed, 674 were requests to be removed from the registry.

Registry numbers by age

When looking at the total number of organ donor registrants by age distribution, there is not much difference among the age categories from 18-24 through 45-54. Historically, the age categories of 18-24 and 25-34 have been the largest in the registry. Through educational efforts by Missouri partners working together, the gap among the age groups is declining. The registry system automatically adjusts the age category of an individual based on the person's birth date. Note that the data provided is a snapshot of the registry at the end of state fiscal year 2010. Data represents consent and intent records.

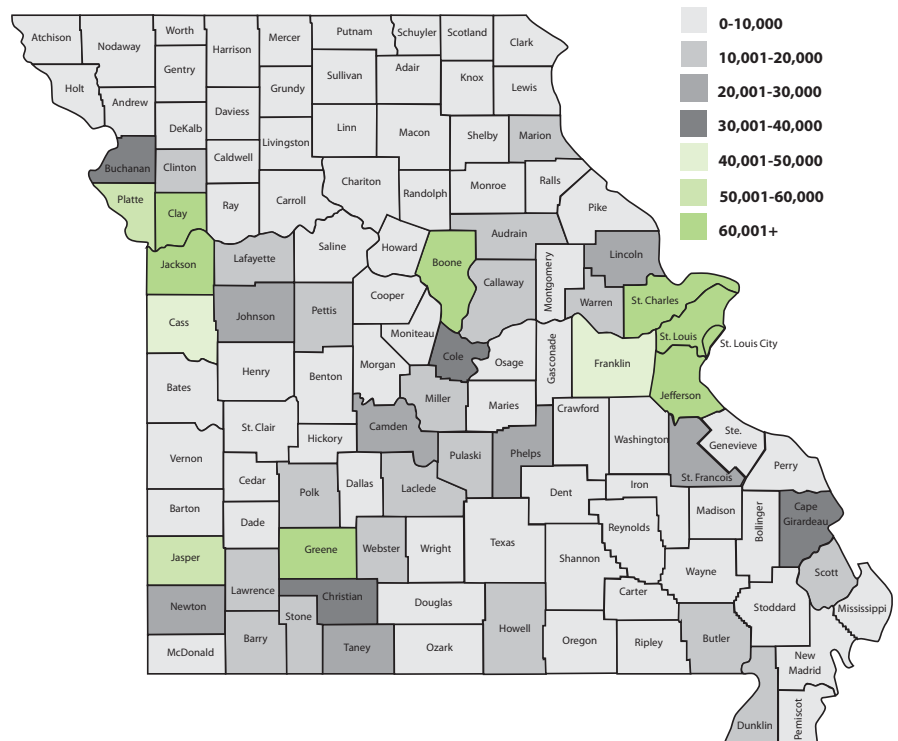
Registry enrollment by age

– at end of state fiscal year 2010

≤ 14 Years	10,860
15-17	145,361
18-24	474,651
25-34	500,127
35-44	481,085
45-54	461,898
55-64	306,309
≥ 65	215,737
Total Registrants	2,596,028

Registry numbers by county

The map below shows the number of individuals in the organ donor registry by county.



Registry Participation

Organ donor registry enrollment by contract fee office*

ADAIR Kirksville32%	DENT Salem34%	MACON Macon28%	SCOTLAND Memphis30%
ANDREW Savannah42%	DOUGLAS Ava32%	MADISON Fredericktown34%	SCOTT Chaffee37%
ATCHISON Rock Port43%	DUNKLIN Kennett31%	MARIES Vienna29%	Sikeston34%
AUDRAIN Mexico39%	Malden21%	MARION Hannibal38%	SHANNON Eminence27%
Vandalia39%	FRANKLIN Pacific42%	Palmyra39%	SHELBY Shelbina38%
BARRY Cassville35%	St. Clair38%	MCDONALD Pineville34%	ST CHARLES Harvester43%
Monett38%	Sullivan39%	MERCER Princeton39%	O'Fallon41%
BARTON Lamar42%	Union42%	MILLER Eldon41%	St. Charles39%
BATES Butler43%	Washington47%	MISSISSIPPI Charleston32%	Wentzville46%
BENTON Warsaw39%	GASCONADE Hermann48%	MONITEAU California35%	ST CLAIR Osceola34%
BOLLINGER Marble Hill32%	Owensville31%	MONROE Monroe City40%	ST FRANCOIS Bonne Terre34%
BOONE Columbia50%	GENTRY Stanberry40%	Paris9%	Farmington32%
BUCHANAN St. Joseph26%	GREENE Glenstone45%	MONTGOMERY Montgomery City37%	ST LOUIS Affton35%
BUTLER Poplar Bluff33%	Republic48%	MORGAN Versailles34%	Bridgeton33%
CALDWELL Kingston45%	South Fremont51%	NEW MADRID New Madrid22%	Chesterfield48%
CALLAWAY Fulton35%	Springfield35%	NEWTON Neosho34%	Clayton49%
CAMDEN Camdenton51%	GRUNDY Trenton33%	NODAWAY Maryville49%	Creve Coeur44%
CAPE GIRARDEAU Cape Girardeau44%	HARRISON Bethany39%	OREGON Alton32%	Deer Creek42%
Jackson33%	HENRY Clinton37%	Thayer26%	Des Peres55%
CARROLL Carrollton32%	HICKORY Hermitage34%	OSAGE Linn38%	Ferguson27%
CARTER Van Buren32%	HOLT Mound City46%	OZARK Gainesville37%	Florissant34%
CASS Belton45%	HOWARD Fayette40%	PEMISCOT Caruthersville31%	North County19%
Harrisonville40%	HOWELL Mountain View30%	PERRY Perryville36%	Oakville35%
CEDAR Stockton29%	West Plains35%	PETTIS Sedalia39%	Olivette38%
CHARITON Keytesville28%	Willow Springs37%	PHELPS Rolla42%	Overland24%
CHRISTIAN Nixa51%	IRON Ironton29%	PIKE Bowling Green38%	South County43%
Ozark49%	Viburnum29%	Louisiana32%	West County51%
CLARK Kahoka42%	JACKSON Blue Springs47%	PLATTE Parkville49%	ST LOUIS CITY AAA St. Louis38%
CLAY Excelsior Springs43%	Grandview39%	Platte City51%	North Kingshighway11%
Gladstone46%	Independence36%	POLK Bolivar34%	South Kingshighway30%
Liberty57%	Kansas City25%	PULASKI Waynesville43%	St. Louis City Hall27%
North Kansas City19%	Lee's Summit55%	PUTNAM Unionville33%	STE GENEVIEVE Ste. Genevieve47%
CLINTON Cameron46%	Raytown36%	RALLS New London38%	STODDARD Dexter27%
Plattsburg43%	Sugar Creek36%	RANDOLPH Moberly38%	STONE Crane36%
COLE Jefferson City42%	JASPER Carthage45%	RAY Richmond35%	Lakeview/Branson West39%
Jefferson City Mail In35%	Joplin46%	REYNOLDS Ellington12%	SULLIVAN Milan26%
Jefferson City Mini Branch46%	Sarcoixie34%	RIPLEY Doniphan23%	TANEY Branson45%
COOPER Boonville44%	JEFFERSON Arnold48%	SALINE Marshall36%	Forsyth40%
CRAWFORD Cuba35%	De Soto34%	SCHUYLER Lancaster38%	TEXAS Cabool20%
Steelville37%	High Ridge40%		Houston29%
DADE Greenfield37%	Imperial45%		Licking31%
DALLAS Buffalo32%	Twin City37%		VERNON Nevada42%
DAVIESS Gallatin43%	JOHNSON Warrensburg39%		WARREN Warrenton40%
DEKALB Maysville46%	KNOX Edina38%		WASHINGTON Potosi29%
	LACLEDE Lebanon40%		WAYNE Greenville28%
	LAFAYETTE Lexington33%		WEBSTER Marshfield38%
	LAWRENCE Aurora37%		WORTH Grant City33%
	Mount Vernon44%		WRIGHT Hartville19%
	LEWIS Monticello41%		Mountain Grove30%
	LINCOLN Elsberry33%		
	Troy42%		
	LINN Brookfield36%		
	LIVINGSTON Chillicothe43%		

*Registry participation is for July 2009 to June 2010 and is based on percent of total transactions responding "yes" to being placed on the registry. If the fee agent changed during FY10, the percent may be skewed.



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